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In re Patent Application of:
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For: Interleukin-1 Beta Converting Enzyme Like
Apoptosis Protease-3 and -4

Examiner: A. Kim

**ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 AND
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 14, 2006, please consider the following amendments, election, and remarks. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments prior to examination of the captioned application. Applicants submit a Petition for an Extension of Time (three months, to and including November 14, 2006) with appropriate fee concurrently herewith.

Please amend the application as follows: